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Application of: Usuka *et al.*

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For: ***SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
PREDICTING CHROMOSOMAL
REGIONS THAT CONTROL
PHENOTYPIC TRAITS***

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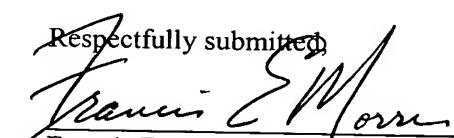
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2003 be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from June 12, 2003 to and including August 12, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$410.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: August 7, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



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